

SUMMARY REPORT OF INVESTIGATION¹

Date/Time/Location of Incident:	October 13, 2016
Date/Time of COPA Notification:	11:00 pm
Involved Officer #1:	Officer [REDACTED] Star # [REDACTED] Employee ID# [REDACTED] DOA: [REDACTED] 2003, Unit: [REDACTED] DOB: [REDACTED] 1970, Male, Black.
Involved Individual #1:	[REDACTED] DOB: [REDACTED] 1957, Female, Black.
Case Type:	05P

I. ALLEGATIONS

Officer	Allegation	Finding
Officer [REDACTED]	1. Failed to activate emergency equipment. 2. Pointed a weapon at [REDACTED] without justification.	Not Sustained. Not Sustained.

II. SUMMARY OF EVIDENCE²

Officer [REDACTED] was responding to reports of a man with a firearm at the above location. As he entered the intersection with his vehicle, he struck [REDACTED] vehicle causing no significant damage. Officer [REDACTED] exited his vehicle and approached [REDACTED] vehicle.

During their statement to COPA, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] sister, [REDACTED] made the above allegations. During his statement to COPA, Officer [REDACTED] was clear he had his equipment activated and that he could not recall pointing a firearm at [REDACTED]. An Illinois Traffic Crash Report documents that Officer [REDACTED] had his lights activated³. A review of In-Car Camera footage shows that Officer [REDACTED] vehicle had emergency lights activated when a marked unit responded to the accident; however, it is unknown when the emergency equipment was activated.

¹ On September 15, 2017, the Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) replaced the Independent Police Review Authority (IPRA) as the civilian oversight agency of the Chicago Police Department. Therefore, this investigation, which began under IPRA, was transferred to COPA on September 15, 2017, and the recommendation(s) set forth herein are the recommendation(s) of COPA.

²COPA conducted a full and complete investigation of this matter, including the interview of all pertinent civilian and officer witnesses, and the collection and review of digital, documentary, and forensic evidence. As part of COPA's ongoing efforts to increase case closure capacity, certain cases opened under IPRA are summarized more succinctly in a Modified Summary Report of Investigation, pursuant to COPA Guideline Modified Summary Report of Investigation Template and Approvals, effective February 13, 2019.

³ Officer [REDACTED] was partnered with Officer [REDACTED] during the incident. Officer [REDACTED] was scheduled to be interviewed by COPA on January 17, 2019 but was unable to attend the scheduled interview because her status is "Injured On Duty" (IOD). Officer [REDACTED] has been on IOD since July 4, 2018 and is currently still on IOD at the time of this report.

III. ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

COPA find that both allegations against Officer [REDACTED] are Not Sustained. COPA was unable to locate any evidence, other than the that involved parties' statements, that support or refute the allegations. Officer [REDACTED] stated his lights were activated, but there is no evidence to establish if or when the lights were activated. In addition, Officer [REDACTED] could not recall if he pointed his gun at [REDACTED]. Because Officer [REDACTED] could not recall if he pointed his gun at [REDACTED], COPA cannot determine if Officer [REDACTED] actions were justified or if the alleged conduct occurred.

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Date

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Appendix A

Assigned Investigative Staff

Squad#:

Investigator:

Supervising Investigator:

Deputy Chief Administrator:

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